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## Zanna-

### QUEEN of the JUNGLE



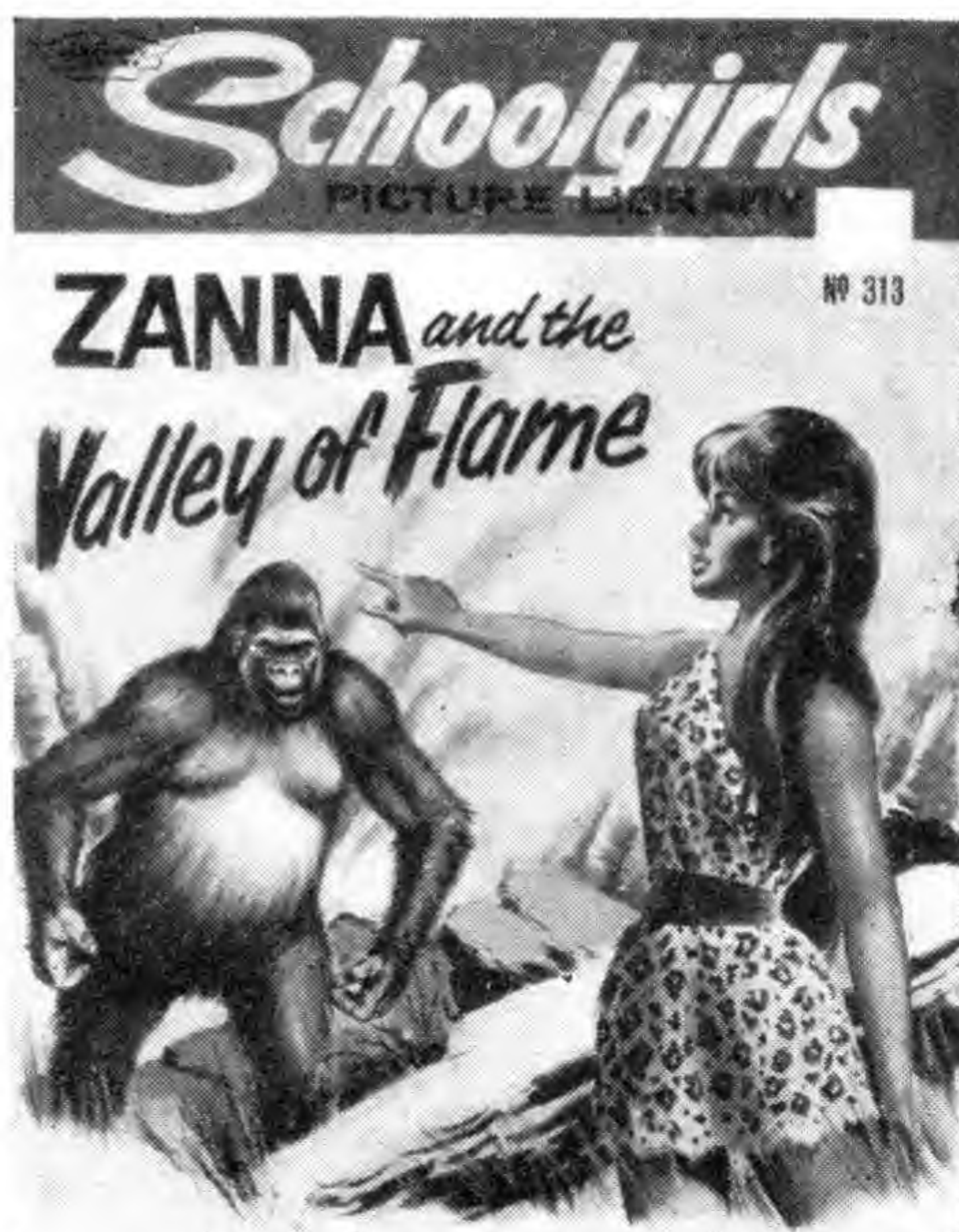


★ **Coming next month**

# **“ZANNA AND THE VALLEY OF FLAME”**

**No. 313**

Zanna has her strangest adventure ever when she finds a little white boy being brought up by giant gorillas in a hidden valley deep in the jungle.



**also:**

## **No. 312 “ADVENTURE FOR 3”**

When a bunch of crooks come up against Ossie the otter and his friends, Biddy and Mike, things look bad—for the crooks!

## **No. 314 “PLANET OF FEAR”**

Another space story about Kim and Zenda. This month they have an exciting adventure in a strange and sinister world in outer space.

## **No. 315 “MAD ABOUT BALLET!”**

This month's school story. The fourth formers stage a ballet—but behind the scenes there is a strange mystery to solve!

**ALL ON SALE SATURDAY, 5th JUNE**



# ZANNA

## Queen of the Jungle

IN THE DEEP JUNGLES OF CENTRAL AFRICA THEY SPEAK THE NAME ZANNA IN AWED WHISPERS. ZANNA OF THE FOREST — SHE WHOM THE ANIMALS OBEY, WHO WAS BROUGHT UP AMONGST THEM AND LOVES THEM BEYOND ALL ELSE.

ZANNA THE WISE —  
ZANNA THE POWERFUL!



BUT YOUNG ANIMAL-DOCTOR DAVE CARSON AND HIS COMPANIONS, JUDY NORSE AND AUSTEN WELLS, HAD NEVER HEARD OF ZANNA AS THEY TREKKED INTO THE WILDS.



M'BOMBO SAYS  
THERE'S GOOD CAMPING  
GROUND ABOUT A MILE  
AHEAD, AUSTEN.

BETTER  
KEEP OUR  
EYES SKINNED,  
THOUGH. THIS  
IS LION  
COUNTRY.



DAVE'S ASSISTANT, AUSTEN WELLS, HAD  
HARDLY SPOKEN WHEN SUDDENLY...

BY GEORGE!  
THAT LION!  
IT'S THE COLOUR  
OF PURE GOLD!

STAND ASIDE!  
THE BRUTE  
MAY BE A  
KILLER!

THEN, FROM THE TREETOPS, CAME AN  
ECHOING CALL—AND A GLIMPSE OF A  
GIRLISH FIGURE...

AI-EE!  
AI-EE!  
AWAY, SIMBA—  
AWAY!

LIKE A DOG ANSWERING ITS MASTER'S  
CALL, THE MIGHTY BEAST BOUNDED AWAY.

THERE WAS A  
GIRL—A GIRL IN  
THE TREETOPS.  
SHE CALLED TO  
THE LION!



AND AS DAVE AND HIS COMPANIONS TURNED  
TOWARDS THE NATIVE BEARERS...

IT WAS  
ZANNA—RULER  
OF THE  
FOREST!

SHE CALLED  
TO SIMBA—  
THE GOLDEN  
ONE!

SUPERSTITIOUS  
RUBBISH! IF THERE  
WAS A GIRL IN THE  
TREE, IT MUST HAVE  
BEEN A NATIVE.  
GET MOVING,  
THERE!

MEANWHILE, ZANNA WAS SWINGING THROUGH  
THE TREETOPS AT AMAZING SPEED.

STRANGERS HAVE  
COME TO THE FOREST,  
O GOLDEN ONE.  
WE MUST BE  
WATCHFUL.



SO, IN A HIDDEN VALLEY, SHE REACHED THE TREE-TOP HOME WHERE SHE LIVED WITH SUKU, THE GREY PARROT, AND CHUPPI, THE CHIMPANZEE.

CHA-CHA-  
CHA—  
CHEE-EEE!

WHY IS CHUPPI  
SO DISTURBED?  
SOMETHING IS  
WRONG!

THE DAY BEFORE, SHE HAD GIVEN SHELTER TO A SICK ANIMAL. SHE HAD HOPED IT WOULD BE GAINING STRENGTH, BUT NOW...

TONGA, THE  
BABY FAWN!  
HE IS SUDDENLY  
DESPERATELY  
ILL!

TONGA WAS TOO WEAK TO TAKE THE  
MEDICINES THAT ZANNA BREWED  
FROM JUNGLE HERBS.



ALL NIGHT ZANNA WATCHED OVER THE SICK FAWN. AND AT SUNRISE...



RISING AND FALLING OVER THE JUNGLE CAME THE THROB OF DRUMS...



...DRUMS THAT SENT MESSAGES FROM TRIBE TO TRIBE, IN A LANGUAGE ZANNA HAD LEARNED TO UNDERSTAND.

THE DRUMS SPEAK OF A WHITE ANIMAL-DOCTOR, WITH WONDROUS MEDICINES, WHO HAS COME TO THE JUNGLE. IT MUST BE ONE OF THE WHITE MEN I SAW YESTERDAY!



SWIFTLY, ZANNA CLIMBED TO A CRAGGY PEAK WHICH ROSE ABOVE THE THICK FOREST.

YES! I SEE THE WHITE MEN'S CAMP— BUT IT IS FAR AWAY. AND EVERY MOMENT IS PRECIOUS IF TONGA IS TO BE SAVED.





HIGH ABOVE THE PEAK HOVERED KUKRA, THE GIANT EAGLE. AND SUDDENLY BELOW HIM ECHOED A VOICE THAT HE KNEW AND OBEYED.



KUKRA~A~A!  
ZAAA~EEE!  
KUKRA~A~A!

HELP ME,  
KUKRA!  
HELP ME!



DOWN SWOOPED THE HUGE EAGLE, STALLING JUST ABOVE ZANNA WHILE SHE GOT A FIRM GRIP ON ITS LEGS...





THEN...







EARLIER THAT MORNING  
DAVE CARSON HAD HELD  
A CONFERENCE WITH HIS  
TWO HELPERS.

A  
THOUSAND THANKS,  
O MIGHTY ONE!  
AS SWIFT AS THE  
LIGHTNING YOU HAVE  
BROUGHT ME CLOSE  
TO THE WHITE  
MEN'S CAMP.

REMEMBER!  
WE'VE COME HERE  
WITH TWO OBJECTS—  
TO STUDY WILD LIFE AT  
CLOSE QUARTERS AND  
TRY AND TRACE THE  
LEGENDARY LOST  
TEMPLE OF  
SHEBA.

THE TEMPLE IS  
SUPPOSED TO BE  
FILLED WITH TREASURE.  
THERE'LL BE A  
TREMENDOUS REWARD  
FOR FINDING IT.



FOR CENTURIES THERE HAD BEEN A  
LEGEND THAT THE FABULOUS QUEEN  
OF SHEBA HAD ONCE TRAVELLED TO  
CENTRAL AFRICA AND BUILT A TEMPLE  
WHICH HAD SINCE DISAPPEARED...

FROM CERTAIN OLD  
DOCUMENTS HE HAD FOUND DAVE  
BELIEVED THE TEMPLE COULD HAVE  
BEEN IN THIS AREA.





THINK WHAT WE  
COULD DO WITH THAT REWARD.  
WE COULD FOUND THE FINEST  
GAME RESERVE IN AFRICA -  
WE COULD HELP PRESERVE  
WILD SPECIES IN DANGER  
OF DYING OUT!



AS AUSTEN WELLS MOVED AWAY...

THAT FOOL CARSON!  
IF WE FIND THE TEMPLE  
WE'RE NOT WASTING ITS  
TREASURES ON GAME  
RESERVES.  
IT'S ALL COMING  
TO ME!

AUSTEN WAS VERY QUICK ON THE TRIGGER, AND SEEING  
A MOVEMENT IN THE BUSH...



SOME  
SPYING NATIVE!  
THAT'LL SCARE  
HIM!




THE BULLET STRUCK A TREE CLOSE TO ZANNA —  
AND HER EYES FLASHED IN ANGER.



SO!  
ZANNA CAME  
IN PEACE TO ASK  
FOR HELP, BUT THE  
WHITE MEN USE THEIR  
FIRE-STICKS. ZANNA  
WILL NO LONGER BEG—  
SHE WILL  
DEMAND!

LATER...



THAT CUT SHOULD  
BE OKAY NOW, M'BOMBO.  
WE'LL MOVE INTO THE  
JUNGLE WITH THE  
CAMERAS.

THEY'RE ALL LOADED,  
DAVE. AND I'LL BE READY  
TO DEVELOP THE FILM AS  
SOON AS YOU GET  
BACK.



SUDDENLY...

WHITE DOCTOR—  
YOU COME WITH ME.  
ZANNA COMMANDS  
IT!

WHAT THE  
HECK!

IT IS SHE—  
IT IS ZANNA,  
QUEEN OF THE  
FOREST!







IN THE TREE-HOUSE ZANNA'S IMPERIOUS MANNER CHANGED. THERE WERE TEARS IN HER EYES...

I FEAR  
HE MAY DIE,  
FOR MY HERB  
MEDICINES WILL  
NOT CURE  
HIM.

LET ME SEE.



A SWIFT EXAMINATION - AN ANTIBIOTIC INJECTION -  
AND SOON...

THAT WILL  
REDUCE THE  
FEVER. HE'LL  
BE OKAY.

AH! MY  
HEART IS FULL  
OF THANKS,  
WHITE DOCTOR.









WHEN DAVE REACHED CAMP...

THANK GOODNESS  
YOU'RE SAFE,  
DAVE!

IT'S TIME THAT  
SAVAGE JUNGLE GIRL  
WAS PUT UNDER  
LOCK AND KEY.

NO!  
SHE'S JUST  
AS MARVELLOUS  
AS THE NATIVES SAY  
SHE IS, AUSTEN. AND  
LOOK AT THIS RING SHE  
GAVE ME — I BELIEVE  
IT'S SOMEHOW  
LINKED WITH THE  
QUEEN OF SHEBA.

AUSTEN'S EYES GLITTERED AS HE  
EXAMINED THE RING.

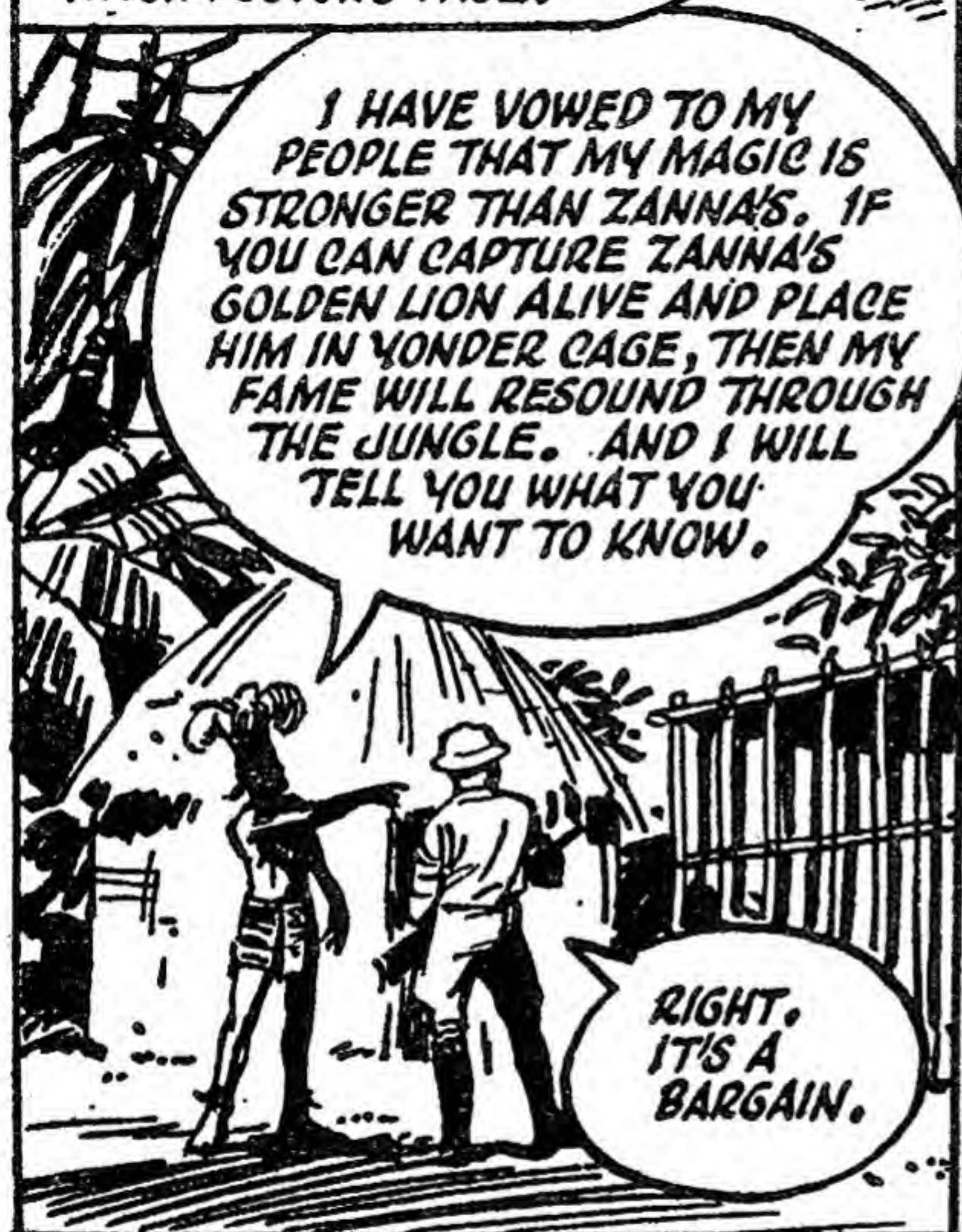
I'M SURE THIS  
IS THE QUEEN'S RING —  
AND I KNOW SOMEONE WHO  
MAY BE ABLE TO TRANSLATE  
THE HIEROGLYPHICS ENGRAVED  
ON THE INNER SIDE OF IT.  
LEAVE IT TO ME, DAVE.



AUSTEN WELLS HAD TRAVELLED IN THESE PARTS BEFORE, AND HE MADE HIS WAY TO THE WITCH-DOCTOR OF A LOCAL TRIBE.



A CRAFTY LOOK CROSSED THE WITCH-DOCTOR'S FACE.





THAT EVENING,  
AT MOONRISE...



SIMBA!  
WHY DO YOU DELAY,  
O GOLDEN ONE?  
WHY DO YOU NOT  
RETURN FROM YOUR  
EVENING DRINK  
AT THE POOL? -  
SIMBA-A-A!

ZANNA COULD NOT GUESS THAT THE  
GREAT LION WAS LYING DRUGGED.



THERE YOU ARE,  
NGASI. GET YOUR  
MEN TO CARRY HIM  
TO THE CAGE - AND  
YOU CAN TELL 'EM IT'S  
ALL DUE TO YOUR  
MAGIC.

GOOD.  
AND WHEN HE  
IS SAFE IN THE  
CAGE I TELL YOU  
THE MEANING  
OF THE  
RING.

AND WHEN ZANNA WENT IN SEARCH  
OF THE LION...



THE BRUTE WILL  
COME TO HIMSELF  
WHEN YOU GET HIM  
IN THE CAGE. LATER,  
I CAN SHOOT HIM  
FOR YOU.

AI-EE!  
WHAT  
TREACHERY  
IS THIS?





SO THE  
WHITE MEN ARE  
NOT THE FRIENDS  
OF ANIMALS  
AFTER ALL —  
THEY ARE CRUEL  
HUNTERS.

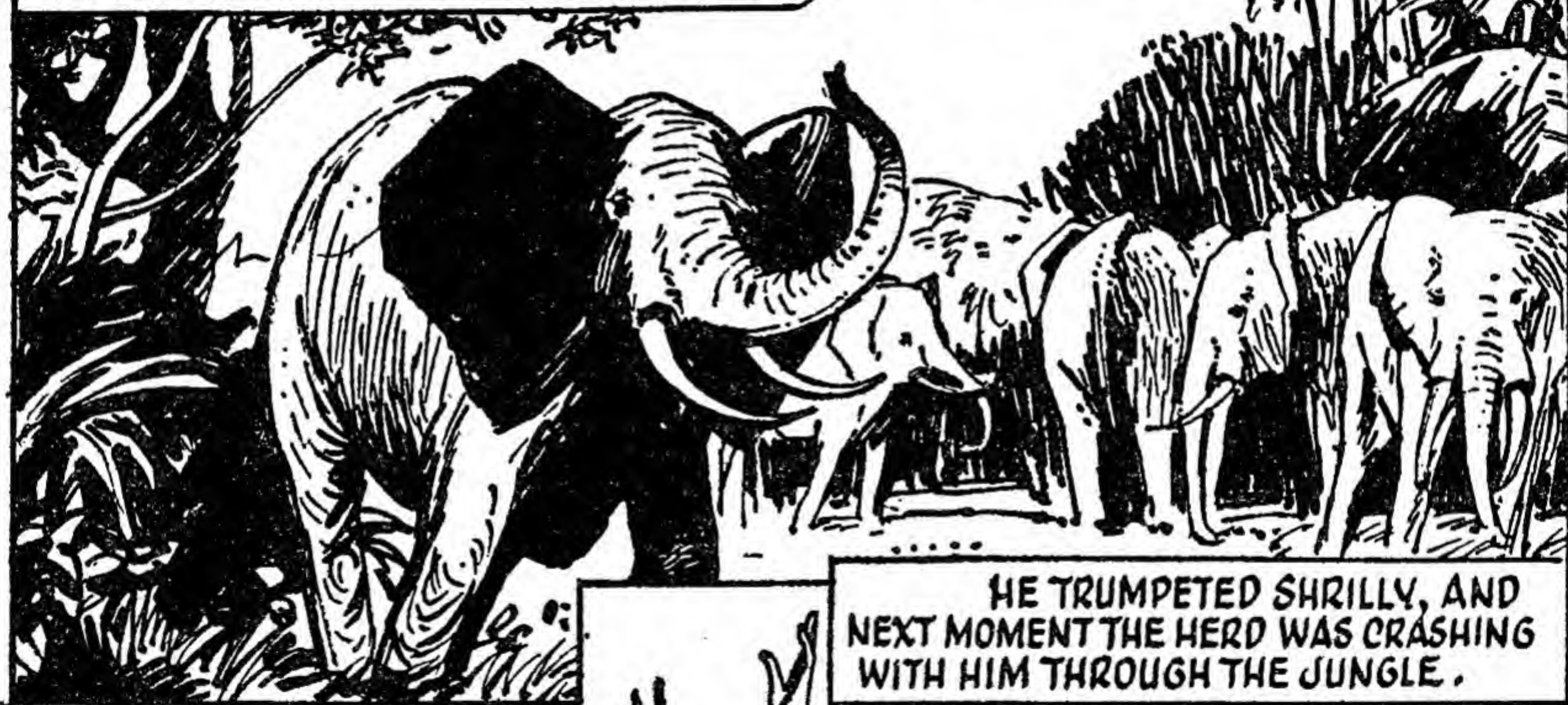
AT TREMENDOUS SPEED  
ZANNA SWUNG THROUGH  
THE TREES.

BENEATH A MIGHTY BAOBAB  
TREE HUNG A SLENDER HORN  
WHICH ZANNA HAD FASHIONED  
HERSELF.

NOW I GO TO  
SOUND THE IVORY  
HORN. SIMBA MUST  
BE RESCUED.  
WOE—WOE TO THE  
FALSE WHITE  
MEN!



ITS WEIRD ECHOING NOTES REACHED THE EARS OF HARJA,  
AS HE STOOD SENTINEL OVER THE HERD.



HE TRUMPETED SHRILLY, AND  
NEXT MOMENT THE HERD WAS CRASHING  
WITH HIM THROUGH THE JUNGLE.

ON, HARJA, ON!  
WE GO TO RESCUE  
SIMBA! WE GO TO  
SEEK VENGEANCE  
ON THE WHITE  
HUNTERS!





IT WAS AS IF THE WHOLE FOREST KNEW THAT ZANNA WAS ANGRY. BIRDS TOOK FLIGHT... THE MONKEYS CHATTERED ANXIOUSLY...



A LONE NATIVE TRAVELLER COVERED HIS EYES AT THE SIGHT.

IT IS SHE —  
THE QUEEN OF THE  
FOREST. SHE GOES WITH  
HER ELEPHANTS TO SEEK  
VENGEANCE. AI! IT IS  
NOT GOOD TO LOOK  
UPON SUCH THINGS!





AT THE CAMP, DAVE WAS INSPECTING SOME PHOTOS THAT JUDY HAD JUST DEVELOPED.



THESE ARE FINE, JUDY. WONDER IF AUSTEN HAS FOUND OUT WHAT THOSE SIGNS ON THE RING MEAN?

DAVE— LISTEN! WHAT IS THAT GREAT NOISE?

NEXT MOMENT THEY BOTH STARTED BACK IN ALARM.



YOU ARE FALSE, WHITE MAN— YOU HAVE LIED TO ZANNA! WOE— WOE TO YOU AND YOUR FRIENDS!

ZANNA? BUT— BUT I DON'T UNDERSTAND—

SHE MUST BE CRAZY, DAVE— CRAZY AND SAVAGE!



ZANNA'S CRIES ECHOED EERILY IN THE FOREST.

ON, HARJA—  
ON!  
WE WILL REPAY  
THE TREACHERY OF  
THE WHITE MEN!

I CAN'T  
UNDERSTAND IT.  
WHEN I SPOKE TO  
HER BEFORE SHE  
SEEMED FRIENDLY.

YOU CAN'T  
TRUST HER,  
DAVE. SHE'S  
LIKE A WILD  
ANIMAL!

MEANWHILE, IN THE NATIVE VILLAGE...

GREAT IS THE  
MAGIC OF N'GASI.  
BY HIS SPELLS HE  
HAS CAGED THE  
GOLDEN LION.

EVEN ZANNA  
COULD NOT PROTECT  
SIMBA AGAINST THE  
MAGIC OF N'GASI.

HAIL!  
HAIL TO  
N'GASI!











THINGS HAPPENED THEN AT BREATHLESS SPEED.



PROUDLY ZANNA STRODE TO THE CAGE.









SO THE DAYS PASSED.  
AND IN THE DEEP FORESTS  
THEY STILL WHISPERED  
OF THAT AMAZING SCENE  
WHEN ZANNA RESCUED  
THE GOLDEN LION.  
MEANWHILE, AUSTEN  
HAD RETURNED TO  
CAMP WITH HIS  
THEORY THAT THE  
TEMPLE OF SHEBA  
MIGHT LIE BENEATH  
THE WATERS OF A  
MOUNTAIN LAKE.  
AND QUICKLY  
DAVE CARSON MADE  
PLANS TO SEARCH...

SO IT WAS THAT ZANNA, WALKING AMIDST  
THE HILLS ABOVE HER VALLEY, SAW AN  
ASTONISHING SIGHT.



THE WHITE  
MEN AGAIN!  
WHAT ARE THEY  
DOING ON THE  
SACRED LAKE?

ZANNA COULD NOT KNOW  
THAT DAVE WAS USING A  
KIND OF GEIGER COUNTER  
TO TRY TO DETECT THE  
PRESENCE OF PRECIOUS  
METALS UNDER THE WATER.

THE COUNTER'S  
REACTING. IT COULD  
MEAN THAT WE'RE  
IMMEDIATELY ABOVE  
THE TEMPLE.

THEN THERE'S  
A FORTUNE RIGHT  
UNDER OUR  
FEET.







ZANNA'S THOUGHTS WERE TROUBLED.





IN HER TREE-HOUSE ZANNA PACED RESTLESSLY TO AND FRO.



NO! I CANNOT LET THE FAIR-HAIRED ONE GO TO HIS DOOM. WITH THIS GOURD I CAN SAVE HIM.



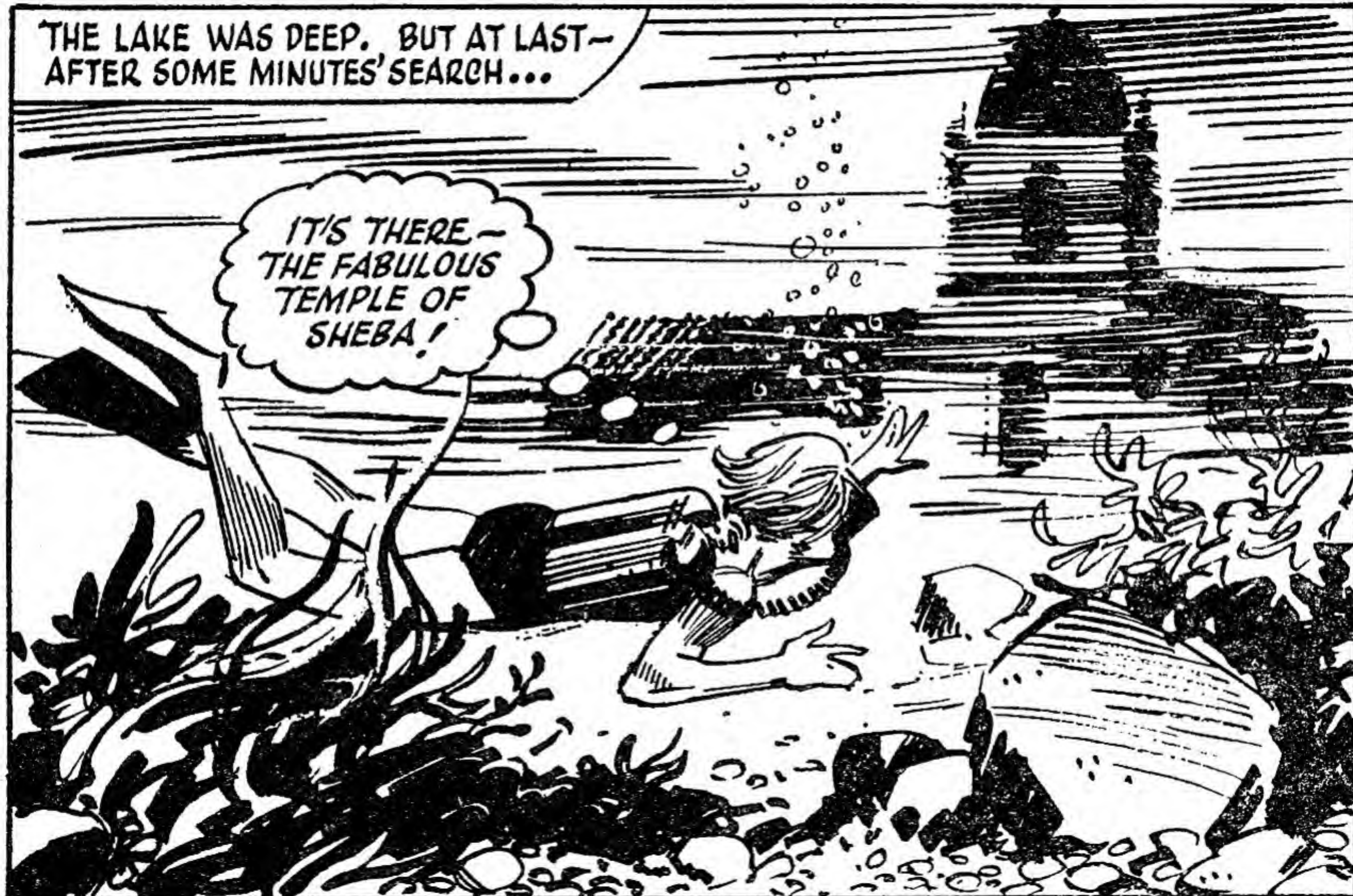
MEANWHILE, WITH AUSTEN WELLS AND JUDY, DAVE HAD RETURNED TO THE LAKE WITH DIVING GEAR. AND HALF-AN-HOUR LATER...





THE LAKE WAS DEEP. BUT AT LAST—  
AFTER SOME MINUTES' SEARCH...

IT'S THERE—  
THE FABULOUS  
TEMPLE OF  
SHEBA!



SUDDENLY, IT WAS AS IF SOMETHING  
SNAKE-LIKE WOUND ITSELF AROUND  
HIS LEG.

THE WEED!  
IT'S TRAPPED ME!  
I—I CAN'T GET  
FREE!



AND THEN—A NEW AND DREADFUL  
PERIL...

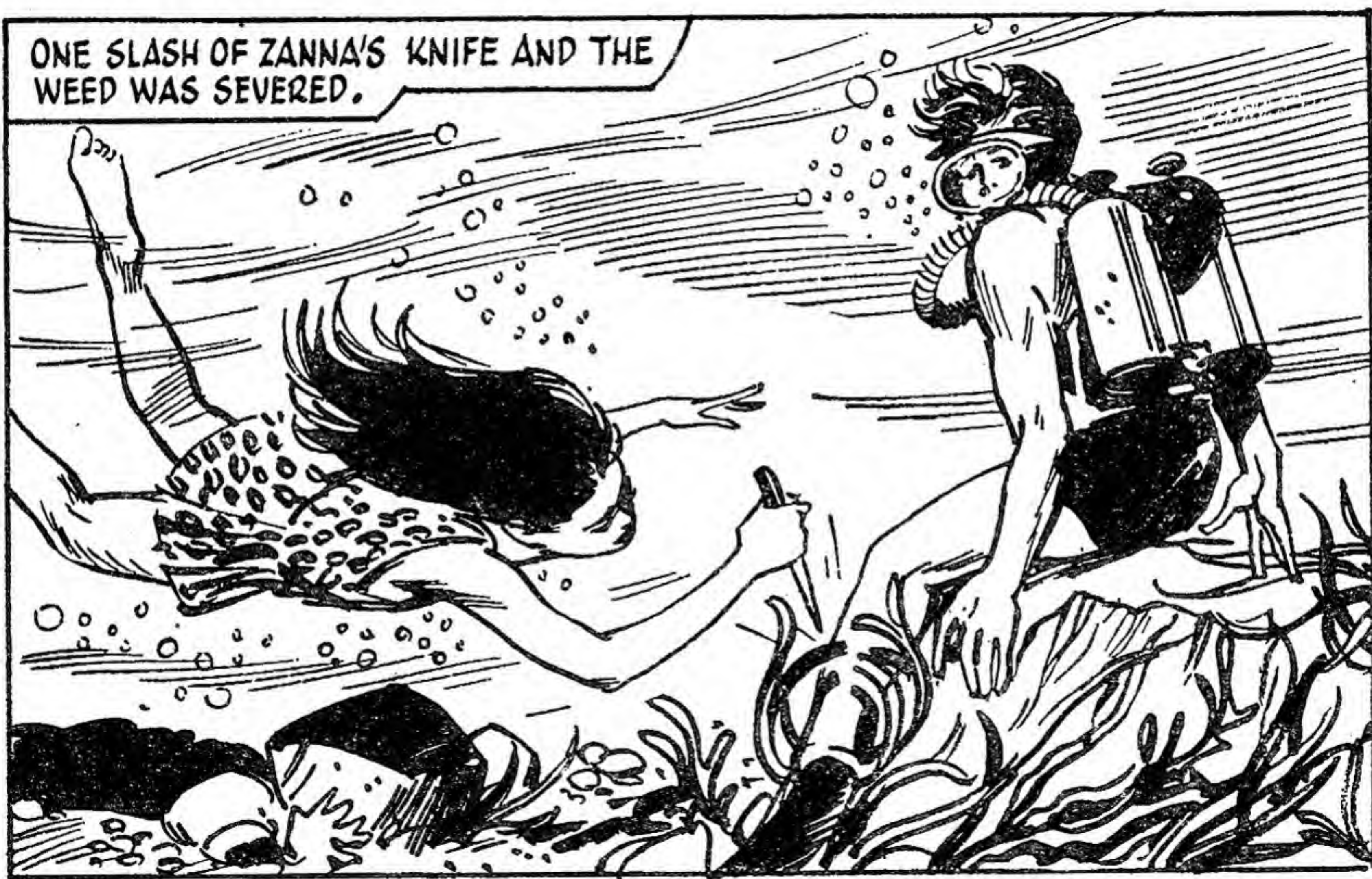








ONE SLASH OF ZANNA'S KNIFE AND THE WEED WAS SEVERED.



ZANNA SWAM ON, VANISHING IN THE MURKY DEPTHS, AND DAVE SHOT TO THE SURFACE.

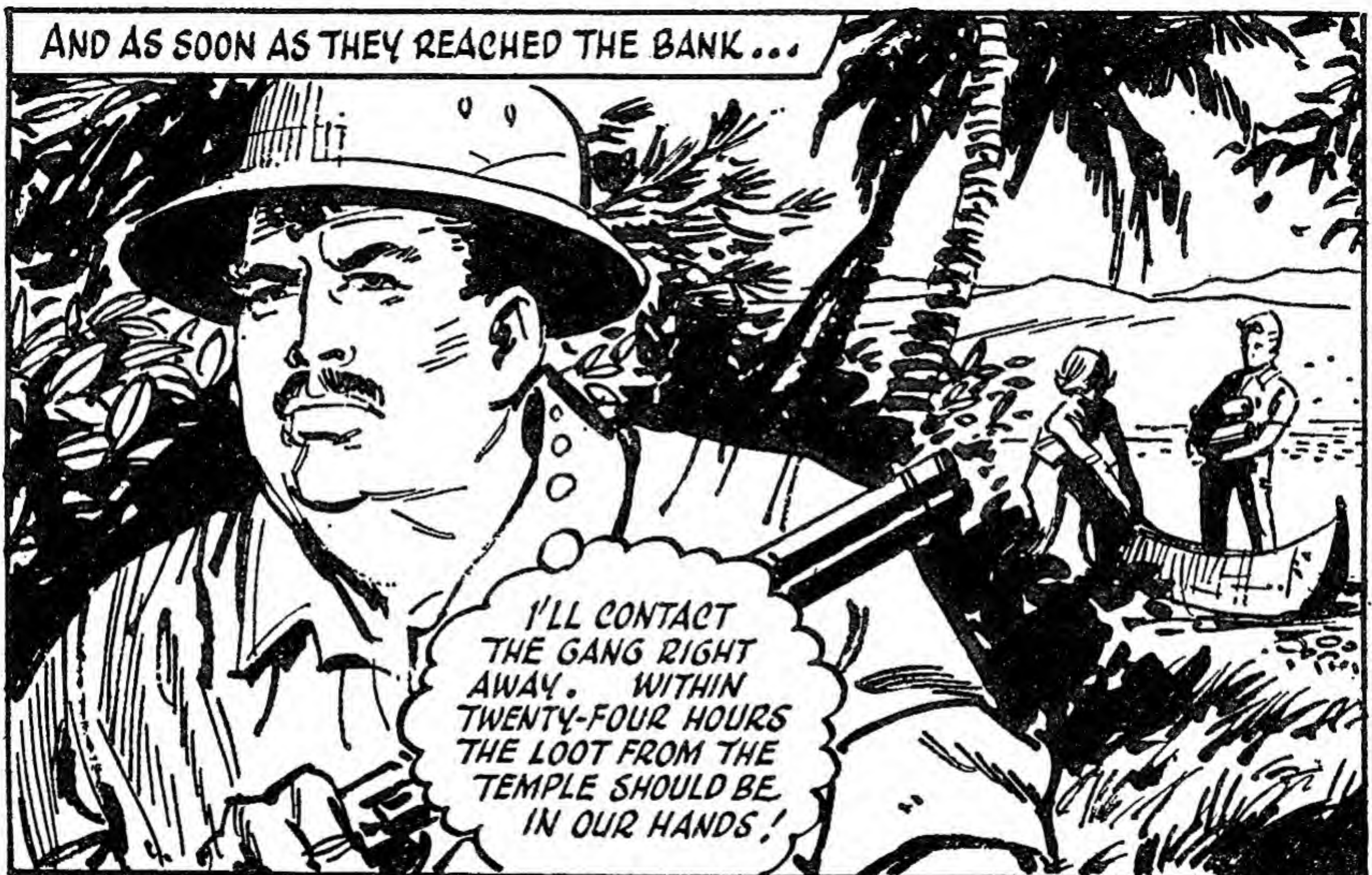
DID  
YOU FIND  
IT?

THE TEMPLE'S THERE,  
AUSTEN - I SAW IT!  
BUT I WAS ATTACKED BY  
A GIANT CROC AND IF  
IT HADN'T BEEN FOR  
ZANNA -

ZANNA!  
YOU MEAN SHE SAVED  
YOU? BUT SHE'S  
SAVAGE - SHE  
THREATENED  
US...













IN A NEARBY CAVE AUSTEN'S ACCOMPLICES  
WERE CAMPED.





SHE KNEW NOW THAT DAVE AND THE WHITE GIRL HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH THE CAPTURE OF THE GOLDEN LION—BUT THESE OTHER MEN WITH SUCH EVIL FACES, WHAT NEW TREACHERY WERE THEY PLOTTING?

AT THAT MOMENT, IN THE M'BOTO VILLAGE...

HEARKEN,  
O WHITE PEOPLE.  
YOU ARE ACCUSED OF  
DEFILING OUR SACRED  
LAKE WITH YOUR  
EVIL SPELLS.

CHIEF!  
YOU'VE GOT IT  
ALL WRONG...

SILENCE,  
WHITE  
MAN!



IN A GUARDED HUT...

DAVE!  
I—I'M SCARED.  
WHO IS THIS  
MIGHTY JUDGE  
THEY TALK ABOUT?

I DON'T KNOW,  
JUDY. BUT THANK  
GOODNESS AUSTEN GOT  
AWAY. HE MAY  
BRING HELP.



THE HOURS PASSED. THE THROB OF DRUMS SOUNDED EVER MORE LOUDLY AND MENACINGLY.

IF ONLY THEY'D STOP THAT AWFUL DRUMMING!

I CAN'T UNDERSTAND WHY AUSTEN DOESN'T MAKE SOME MOVE. HE COULD ARM THE BEARERS — COME TO OUR HELP.

AND AT SUNSET...

IF YOU ARE INNOCENT THE JUDGE'S SPEAR WILL BE FLUNG INTO THE GROUND. BUT IF GUILTY — THE SPEAR WILL BE RAISED AS A SIGN TO THOSE WARRIORS TO HURL THEIR WEAPONS AT YOUR HEARTS.

SEE! THE WISE AND POWERFUL JUDGE COMES!



AN EERIE, ALMOST TERRIFYING FIGURE  
HAD EMERGED FROM THE JUNGLE.



THROUGH THE WEIRD MASK THE  
JUDGE'S VOICE CAME IN MUFFLED  
TONES...



BECAUSE  
WE HAVE SEEN THEM  
MOVING TO AND FRO  
ACROSS OUR SACRED LAKE,  
CASTING EVIL SPELLS  
WITH STRANGE  
INSTRUMENTS.



IT ISN'T TRUE!  
WE'VE BEEN SEARCHING  
FOR A LOST TEMPLE WHICH  
WE BELIEVE IS FILLED WITH  
TREASURE. IF I FIND IT, IT  
WILL BE USED TO BENEFIT  
THE TRIBES AROUND HERE —  
AND THE JUNGLE ANIMALS.

THERE WAS A MOMENT OF SILENCE,  
THEN...



I HAVE HEARD  
THE WORDS OF THE  
CHIEF AND THE WHITE  
MAN. NOW I WILL  
CONSIDER THIS  
MATTER.



ANOTHER SILENCE, TENSE AND  
FILLED WITH MEANING...



SUDDENLY, THE JUDGE ACTED...



THE GREAT  
JUDGE HAS  
SPOKEN.  
THEY ARE  
INNOCENT.

GO IN PEACE,  
O STRANGERS!

QUICK, JUDY!  
LET'S GET MOVING -  
BEFORE THEY CHANGE  
THEIR MINDS.











BUT ZANNA WAS GONE.





AS THEY REACHED THEIR OWN CAMP...



A MOCKING VOICE ANSWERED, AS AUSTEN WELLS STEPPED FROM BEHIND THE TENTS.



THANKS FOR FINDING THE TEMPLE FOR ME. NOW WE'RE GOING TO DRAIN THE LAKE, LOAD THE TREASURE ON OUR LORRY AND MOVE OFF. TAKE 'EM UP TO THE CAVE!





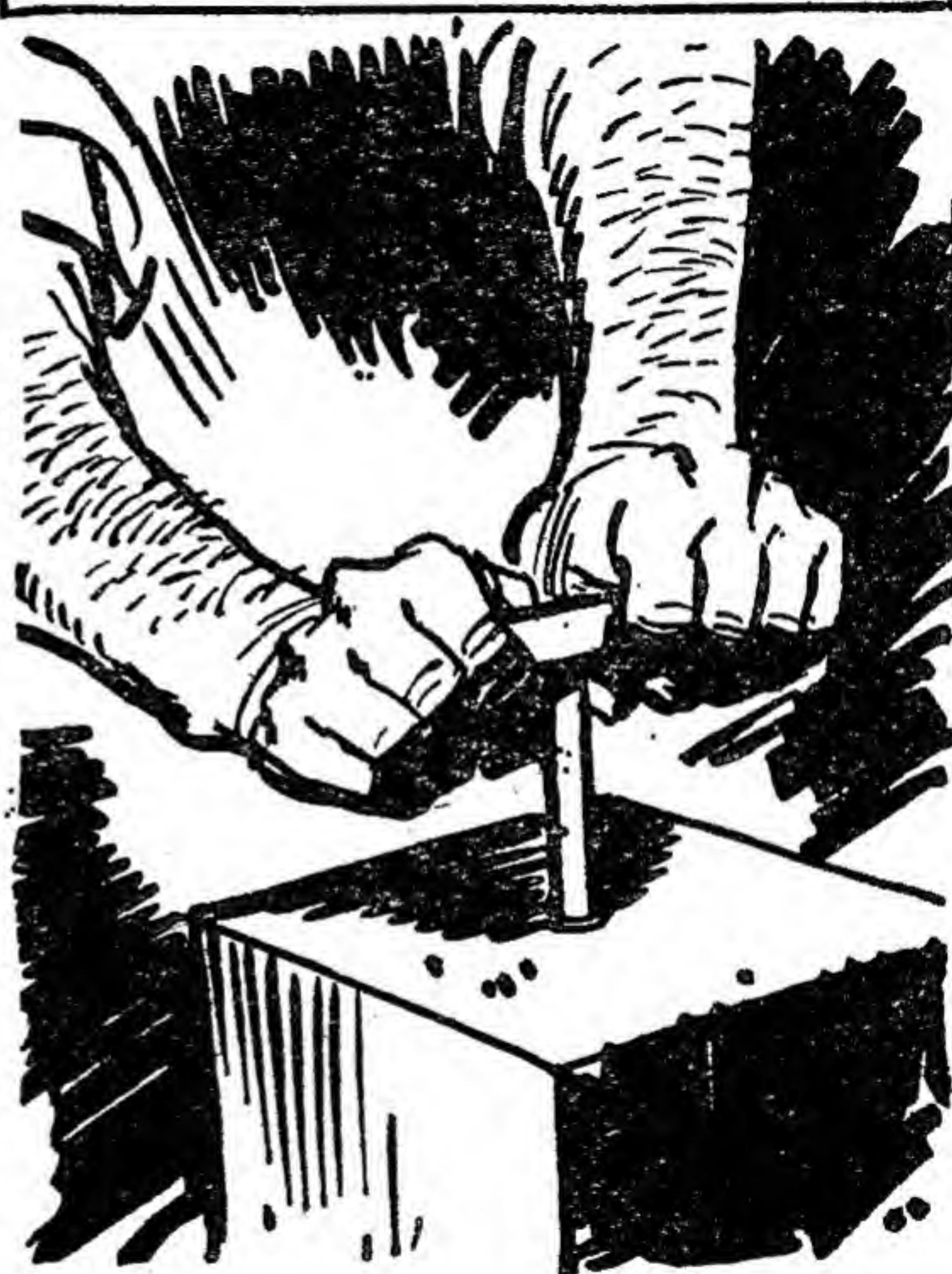
SUNRISE NEXT DAY — AND FROM A HIGH PERCH  
NEAR THE LAKE ZANNA WAS WATCHING.



ALTHOUGH ZANNA DID NOT UNDERSTAND IT,  
THE DYNAMITE CHARGES HAD ALREADY  
BEEN PLACED IN POSITION.



THE PLUNGER OF THE DETONATOR  
WAS PRESSED DOWNWARDS.









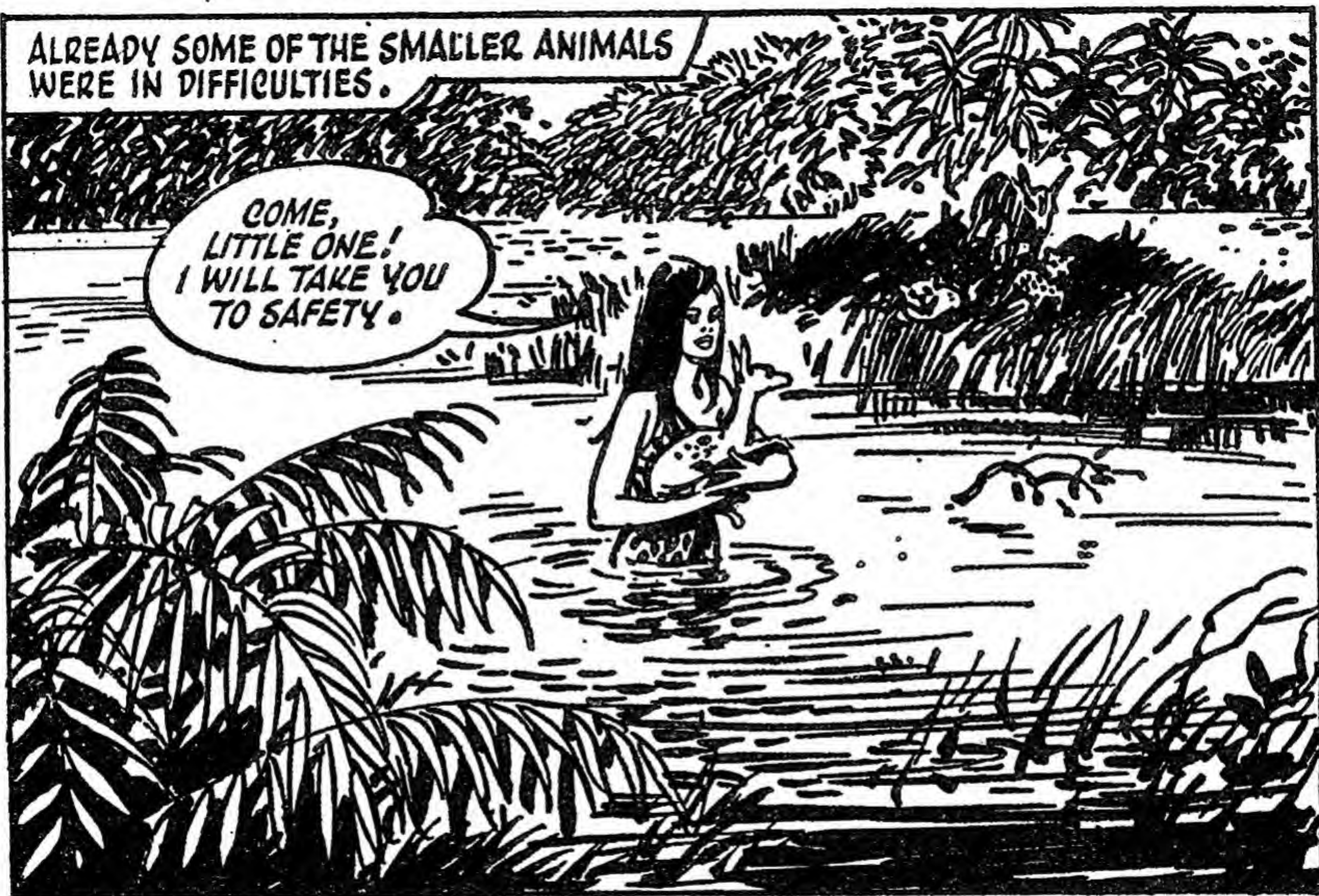
ALREADY THE WATER WAS STREAMING DOWN INTO THE VALLEY,  
AND AS SHE RAN FORWARD ZANNA MET CHIEF KWANBUSU.



THE PEOPLE HAVE  
FLED IN TERROR.  
THE WHITE ONES YOU  
RELEASED HAVE DONE  
THIS EVIL THING,  
O ZANNA.

NO! IT WAS THE  
OTHER WHITE MAN —  
THE TRAITOR. I SAW  
HIM BEWITCH THE LAKE  
WITH A MAGIC BOX —  
AND NOW PERIL COMES  
TO MY VALLEY!

ALREADY SOME OF THE SMALLER ANIMALS  
WERE IN DIFFICULTIES.



COME,  
LITTLE ONE!  
I WILL TAKE YOU  
TO SAFETY.



BUT SOON ZANNA  
REALISED THAT THE  
TASK OF RESCUE  
WAS BEYOND HER  
STRENGTH.

AI-EE!  
THE FLOOD WATERS  
COME STILL MORE  
SWIFTLY.

SO SHE SENT AN ECHOING  
CALL FOR HELP—  
TO HARJA AND HIS HERD  
OF ELEPHANTS.

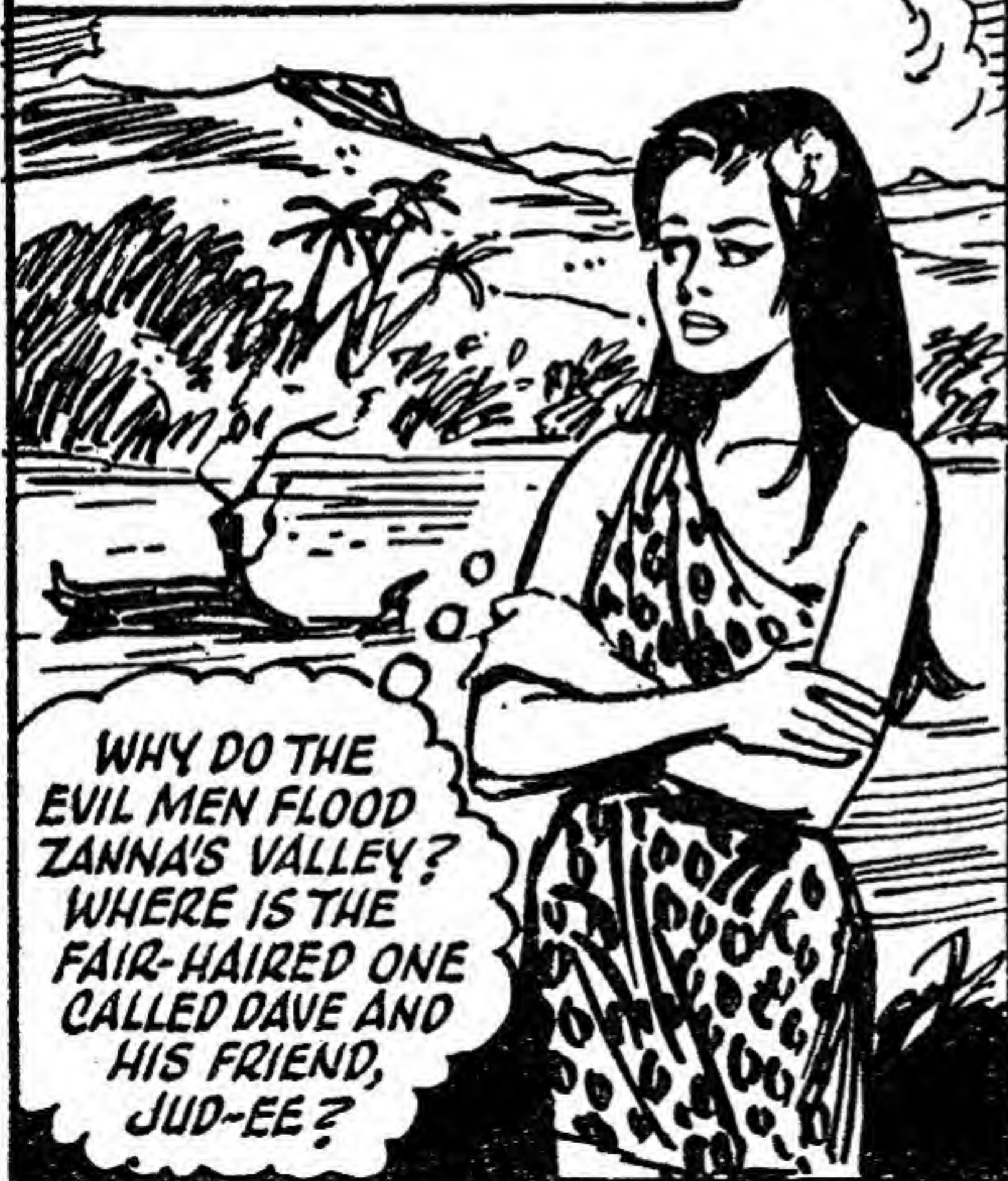








BUT AS SHE GAZED AT THOSE  
FOAMING WATERS, ZANNA'S  
THOUGHTS WERE TROUBLED.



WHY DO THE  
EVIL MEN FLOOD  
ZANNA'S VALLEY?  
WHERE IS THE  
FAIR-HAIRED ONE  
CALLED DAVE AND  
HIS FRIEND,  
JUD-EE?

IT IS CHUPPI,  
AND HE BRINGS  
SOMETHING IN  
HIS PAW.



IT WAS A HANDKERCHIEF.  
ZANNA COULD NOT UNDERSTAND THE  
INITIALS "J.N", BUT THE FAINT  
PERFUME CLINGING TO IT TOLD HER  
IT WAS JUDY NORSE'S.

CHATTERING EXCITEDLY, CHUPPI SWUNG  
AWAY THROUGH THE TREES- AND ZANNA  
FOLLOWED.



FASTER,  
CHUPPI-FASTER!  
I FEEL THAT  
DANGER THREATENS  
DAVE AND  
JUD-EE!

CHUPPI LED THE WAY TO THE CRAGGY  
HEIGHTS BEYOND THE JUNGLE.



EVIL MAN  
GUARDS CAVE.  
IT MUST BE THAT  
DAVE AND HIS FRIEND  
ARE PRISONERS.



ONCE AGAIN ANGER FLARED IN ZANNA'S HEART—AND THE CROOK ON GUARD THOUGHT A THUNDERBOLT HAD STRUCK HIM.



ZANNA HURRIED INTO THE CAVE.

ZANNA! WHEN YOUR PET CHIMP WANDERED IN HERE WE PERSUADED HIM TO PICK UP JUDY'S HANDKERCHIEF, HOPING HE'D TAKE IT TO YOU.



THEY FOUND THAT THE GUARD HAD BOLTED—AND, GLANCING AT HIS WATCH, DAVE SHOOK HIS HEAD HOPELESSLY.

BY THIS TIME THE LAKE WILL HAVE BEEN DRAINED AND THEY'LL BE LOOTING THE TEMPLE. I'M AFRAID THERE'S NOTHING WE CAN DO.





AT THAT MOMENT, AUSTEN WELLS WAS  
GAZING IN TRIUMPH AT THE TEMPLE  
THAT HAD BEEN HIDDEN FOR SO LONG.

IT'S MY GUESS THE  
PLACE IS STUFFED WITH  
TREASURE. LET'S GET  
CRACKING.



THIS IS SOLID GOLD,  
ENCRUSTED WITH GEMS.  
AND TO THINK THAT FOOL  
DAVE CARSON WOULD HAVE  
WASTED IT ALL ON GAME  
RESERVES AND HOSPITALS  
FOR NATIVES!

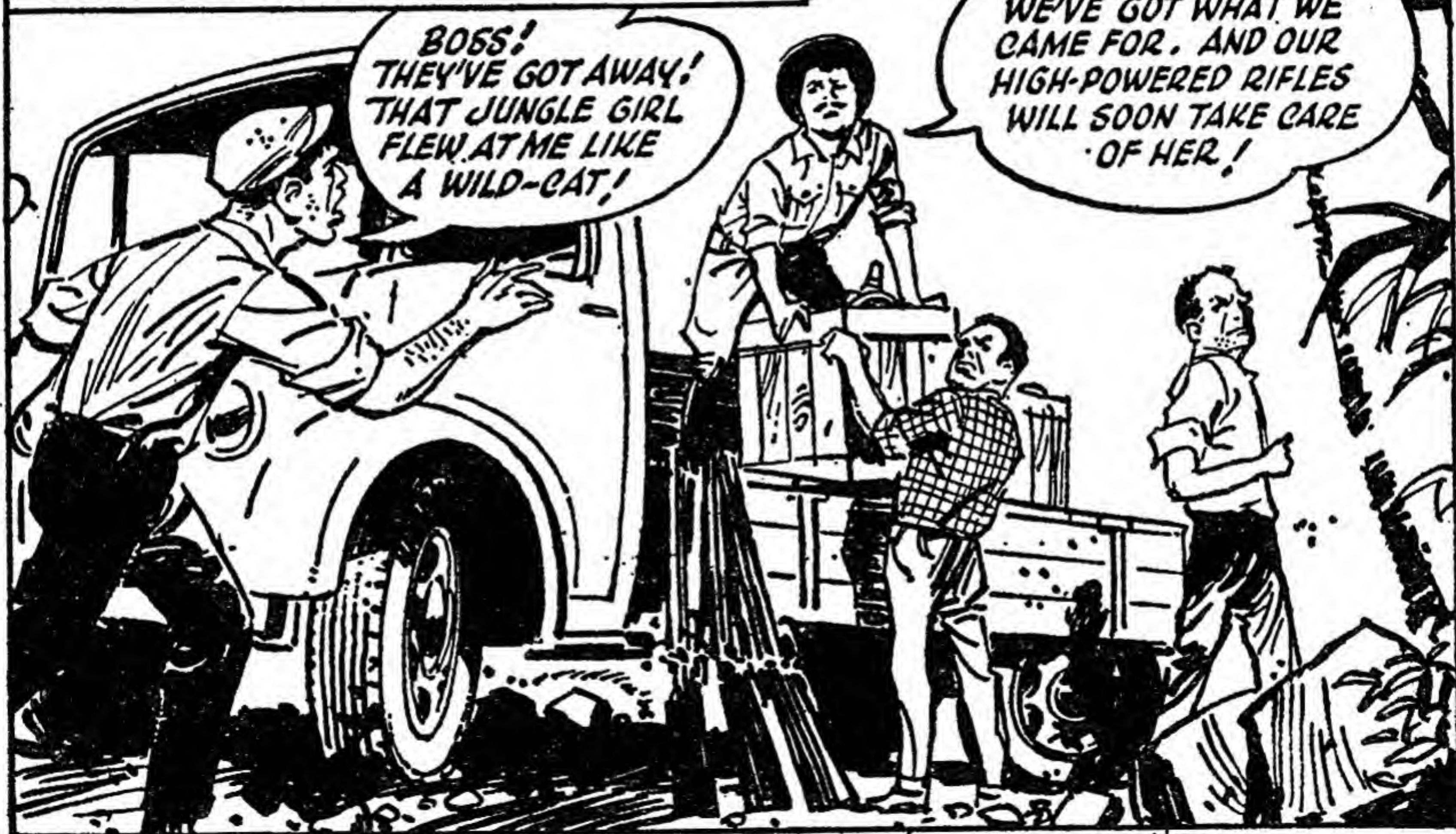




GREEDILY - WITH FURIOUS HASTE - THEY LOADED THEIR VAN, THEN CAME STARTLING NEWS.

BOSS!  
THEY'VE GOT AWAY!  
THAT JUNGLE GIRL  
FLEW AT ME LIKE  
A WILD-CAT!

WHO CARES?  
WE'VE GOT WHAT WE  
CAME FOR. AND OUR  
HIGH-POWERED RIFLES  
WILL SOON TAKE CARE  
OF HER!



AT THE FOOT OF THE SLOPE, SCREENED BY TREES, ZANNA WAS GAZING AT THE SCENE.

SO THOSE  
WICKED MEN ARE  
ROBBERS! I WILL  
SEND MY ELEPHANTS  
TO PUT THEM TO  
FLIGHT!

NO, NO!  
THEY'RE HEAVILY  
ARMED. THE ELEPHANTS  
WOULD BE SHOT DOWN  
BEFORE THEY COULD  
EVEN GET THERE.

FOR A FEW MOMENTS, ZANNA  
THOUGHT DEEPLY.  
THEN SHE SENT OUT  
A WEIRD CALL.

KUK-RAAA!  
AIY-AB-AAA!  
ZA-EEE!





THE CALL ECHOED AMIDST THE HIGH CRAGS  
WHERE KUKRA AND OTHER  
EAGLES NESTED.

SOME MOMENTS LATER...

BY HECK!  
THE JUNGLE GIRL!  
SHE'S BRINGIN' THE  
ELEPHANTS AGAINST  
US, BOSS!

ZA-EEEE-  
ZA-EEE-EEEE

THEN  
SHOOT 'EM  
DOWN!  
SHOOT!  
SHOOT!

BUT DROPPING LIKE LIGHTNING OUT OF  
THE CLEAR SKY CAME WINGED HELPERS  
FOR ZANNA.



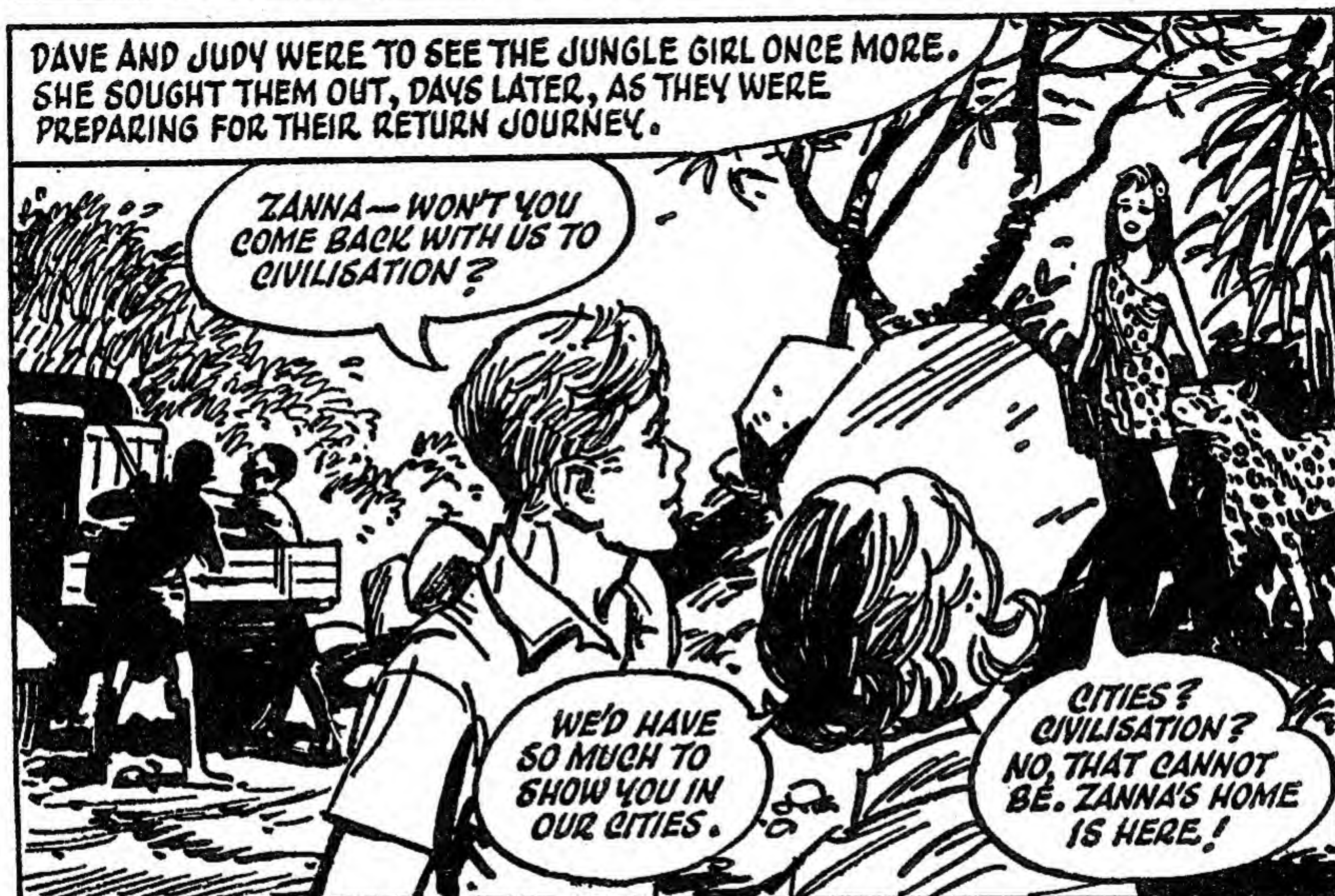
NOT A SHOT WAS FIRED. INSTEAD, SCREAMS OF TERROR BROKE FROM AUSTEN AND HIS GANG.

IT IS WELL, KUKRA!  
THE BAD MEN ARE  
DEFEATED. RETURN  
TO YOUR NESTS,  
O WINGED ONES!



COWED AND PANIC-STRICKEN, AUSTEN WELLS AND HIS GANG OF CROOKS SURRENDERED. THEY WERE QUICKLY BOUND AND LATER WOULD BE SENT BACK TO THE AUTHORITIES TO STAND TRIAL. MEANWHILE, NOW THAT THE DANGER WAS OVER, THE M'BOTO NATIVES BEGAN TO RETURN—BY TWOS AND THREES.





**RESULTS OF THE COMPETITION. SEE PAGE 58**



SO THEY LOOKED THEIR LAST ON THE STRANGEST GIRL THEY HAD EVER MET  
— ZANNA, QUEEN OF THE JUNGLE.



NOW THAT HER VALLEY WAS FLOODED,  
ZANNA SOUGHT A NEW HOME —  
QUESTING INTO THE WILDS, FAR  
FROM THE HAUNTS OF MEN.



Next month: Another story about Zanna. It is called "ZANNA AND THE VALLEY OF FLAME" and shows Zanna among the gorillas.



# Your Friend Patti Writes

Hello all,

A short letter this month because we're giving our competition results at the foot of this page. Congratulations to those who won a prize and "hard luck" to those who didn't. The editor tells me that the titles suggested by all of you were so good he found it difficult to choose the best. And the story most of you gave as first choice was the space story about Zenda. It's one of my favourites, too.

Talking of stories I must mention that in the Princess Library series this month there's one called "Uncle Lionel's Patent Pop Singer" which I'm sure your younger brother or sister would love. So do mention it to them, won't you.

And now for those winners. Bless you all.

Your friend,

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a purse and eight half-crowns.*

**Janet Hiskett**, Dagenham, Essex. **Philippa Berry**, Barnet, Herts. **Anna Cooper**, Shoreditch, London. **Maureen Armstrong**, Claygate, Surrey. **Elizabeth Blake**, Carlisle, Cumberland. **Toni Trestrail**, Exmouth, Devon. **Pamela Thompson**, Whitley Bay, Northumberland. **Marilyn Rosenblatt**, Liverpool 18. **Elizabeth Walker**, Belfast, Northern Ireland. **Irene Bartlett**, Dinnet, Aberdeenshire.

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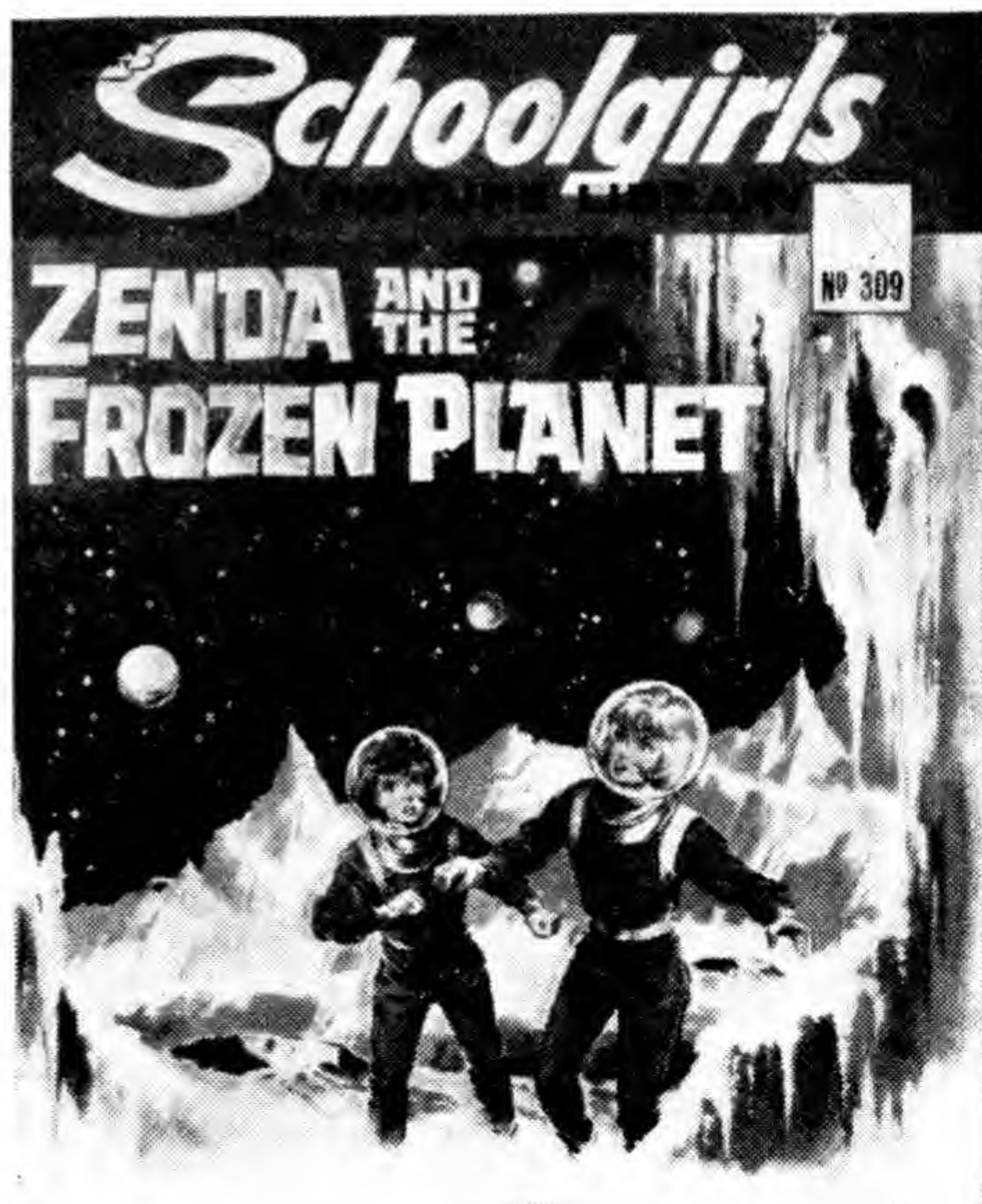


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